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1998, now abandoned, the entire content of each of these provisional applications are incorporated herein by reference.~

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Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 15 with the following new paragraph: -A signal from a mobile station (a mobile signal) received at a base station receive antenna 122 is amplified in a base RF receive 124 and demodulated in a spread spectrum demodulator 128 using the same PN-code used by the mobile RF transmitter 118 to D-spread the signal. The demodulated symbols are D-interleaved by a channel D-interleaved 130 an input to a Viterbi decoder 132. The decoded information bit are reconstructed into receive data blocks 136 and forwarded to the data terminal equivalent at the receive end of the system.~

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Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 28, line 30 with the following new paragraph: -Figure 30 shows exemplary performance curves of the above four (4) candidate puncturing Patterns 5, 6, 7 and 8 for rate 3/8 Turbo Codes. Based on these results, a Pattern 8 FER curve 3010 and analogous curves demonstrate that Pattern 8 is the optimal puncturing Pattern for rate 3/8 Turbo Codes.~

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1 and add new claims 18-40 as follows:

18. (New) A method of processing data in data services with a set of rate-compatible Turbo Codes optimized at high code rates and derived from a

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